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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM SECRETARY

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A.), PFOR

SUBJ: MESSAGE FOR PRESIDENT ASAD

1. PLEASE CONVEY FOLLOWING ORAL MESSAGE TO PRESIDENCY  
FOR PRESIDENT ASAD. YOU SHOULD ALSO INFORM FONMIN  
KHADDAM IN WHATEVER WAY YOU CONSIDER MOST APPROPRIATE,  
ASSUMING HE HAS NOT ALREADY DEPARTED FOR ISLAMIC FONMIN  
MEETING.

2. BEGIN MESSAGE: SECRETARY KISSINGER HAS JUST  
COMPLETED TALKS ON A NUMBER OF SUBJECTS IN GENEVA WITH  
FONMIN GROMYKO, DURING WHICH THE MIDDLE EAST WAS  
DISCUSSED IN A GENERAL WAY. SINCE OUR POLICY REASSESS-  
MENT HAS NOT YET BEEN CONCLUDED, THE MIDDLE EAST TALKS  
WERE ESSENTIALLY AN EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON THE CURRENT  
SITUATION, AND NO CONCLUSIONS WERE REACHED OR DECISIONS  
MADE. MR. GROMYKO REITERATED THE SOVIET POSITION ON  
THE DESIRABILITY OF CONVENING THE GENEVA CONFERENCE AND  
PROCEEDING ON THE BASIS OF JOINT US-SOVIET EFFORTS.  
SECRETARY KISSINGER EXPLAINED THAT, WHATEVER THE OUTCOME  
OF OUR CURRENT EXPLORATION OF THE POSSIBILITY OF  
ACHIEVING ANOTHER MOVE IN THE STEP-BY-STEP PROCESS,  
WE DO NOT VIEW THESE EFFORTS IN ISOLATION FROM THE  
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NEED TO MAKE PROGRESS ON ALL ASPECTS OF THE MIDDLE EAST

PROBLEM, INCLUDING THE SYRIAN-ISRAELI ASPECT. THEY  
AGREED TO REMAIN IN TOUCH WITH EACH OTHER IN THE WEEKS  
IMMEDIATELY AHEAD WHEN THE RESULTS OF OUR CURRENT  
EFFORTS AND OF OUR REASSESSMENT SHOULD BECOME CLEARER.  
THEREAFTER, IT SHOULD BE POSSIBLE TO CRYSTALLIZE OUR  
THOUGHTS, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE PARTIES, ABOUT THE  
BEST WAY TO MOVE THE PEACEMAKING PROCESS FORWARD ON ALL  
FRONTS. MEANWHILE, THE SECRETARY SENDS TO PRESIDENT  
ASAD HIS WARM PERSONAL REGARDS. END MESSAGE.

KISSINGER

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